

Hold Thou my hand: so weak I am, and helpless

Longings — For a Closer Walk with Christ

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The musical score is written in G major, 2/4 time, and consists of four staves. The first staff (measures 1-4) begins with a G chord and contains the lyrics: "1. Hold Thou my hand: so weak I am, and help - less;". The second staff (measures 5-8) begins with a D chord and contains the lyrics: "I dare not take one step with - out Thy aid.". The third staff (measures 9-12) begins with a G chord and contains the lyrics: "Hold Thou my hand: for then, O Lov - ing Sav - ior,". The fourth staff (measures 13-16) begins with a G/B chord and contains the lyrics: "No dread of ill shall make my soul a - fraid.". Chord symbols are placed above the notes: G, D, D/A, A7, D7, G, C, G/D, D, G/B, C, G/D, D7, G.

1. Hold Thou my hand: so weak I am, and help - less;
I dare not take one step with - out Thy aid.
Hold Thou my hand: for then, O Lov - ing Sav - ior,
No dread of ill shall make my soul a - fraid.

2. Hold Thou my hand: and closer, closer draw me
To Thy dear self, my hope, my joy, my all;
Hold Thou my hand: lest haply I should wander,
And missing Thee, my trembling feet should fall.

3. Hold Thou my hand: the way is dark before me
Without the sunlight of Thy face divine;
But when by faith I catch its radiant glory,
What heights of joy, what rapturous songs are mine.